An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Richard Byrne on 11 June 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1:

On line 4: "stretching rod(s)" has been deleted and substituted with - - at least one stretching rod - -

On line 6: "respective body part" has been deleted and substituted with - - penis - -

On line 8: "stretching rod(s)" has been deleted and substituted with - - at least one stretching rod - -

In claim 3:

On line 2: "retaining clips extend" has been deleted and substituted with - - at least one retaining clip extends - -

In claim 4:

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On line 2: "retaining clips" has been deleted and substituted with - - at least one retaining clip - -

In claim 16:

On line 3: "a retaining clip" has been deleted and substituted with - - the at least one retaining clip - -

In claim 17:

On line 2: "stretching rods are" has been deleted and substituted with - - at least one stretching rod is - - and "retaining clips are" has been deleted and substituted with - - at least one retaining clip is - -

In claim 18:

On line 2: before stretching rod - - at least one - - has been inserted

In claim 20:

On line 2: before stretching rod - - at least one - - has been inserted

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John P. Lacyk whose telephone number is (571)272-4728. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-4:30.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chuck Marmor, II can be reached on 571-272-4730. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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